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In re application of: Chapman, et al.

Attorney Docket No.: CISC230/3570

Application No.: 09/894,864

Examiner: Butler, Dennis

Filed: 6/27/2001

Group: 2115

Title: **TECHNIQUE FOR SYNCHRONIZING
NETWORK DEVICES IN AN ACCESS
DATA NETWORK**

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NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment
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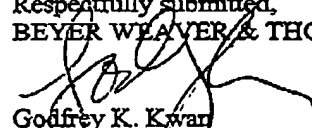
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| | Claims After Amendment | | Highest Previously Paid For | Present Extra | Small Entity Rate Fee | Large Entity Rate Fee |
|--|------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Total Claims | 83 | MINUS | 82 | 01 | x 25 = | x 50 = 50 |
| Independent Claims | 09 | MINUS | 09 | 00 | x 100 = | x 200 = |
| Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid | | | | | \$180.00 | \$360.00 |
| Total | | | | | \$ | \$50.00 |

- ☒ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
- ☒ Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. CISC230).

Respectfully submitted,
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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This amendment is submitted in response to the a Communication mailed March 8, 2005 (copy attached) in which the response required by 37 CFR 1.129(a) was deemed incomplete "applicant failed to respond to the examiner's requirement to fully pay for all the presented claims in paragraph 2 of the previous office action." It is believe that this revised response addresses the issue. As such, this should be treated as a complete response to the outstanding office action.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which being on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.